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Sir:

The attached Amended Appeal Brief is being filed in response to the U.S. Patent Office Communication mailed on February 15, 2007, which indicated that the "Grouping of Claims" heading in the Appeal Brief filed 9/5/2006 is not required under 37 C.F.R. § 41.37 and should be omitted. The Amended Brief attached hereto corrects the alleged informality noted in the Communication.

For sake of clarity, Appellants point out that a Reply Brief in response to the Examiner's Answer (mailed 12/4/2006) was filed on 2/2/2007. The Reply Brief has not been addressed in the Office Communication mailed 2/15/2007.

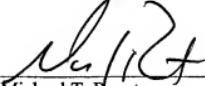
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